

Clarksville-Montgomery County School System HEALTH SERVICES BED BUG MANAGEMENT

- 1. Child is referred to the clinic based upon teacher or staff observation of bed bugs on a student.
- 2. The student should be discreetly removed from the classroom so that the school nurse or a qualified individual can examine the student's clothing and other belongings. Any bugs found should be removed and collected for identification. Try to keep the specimens as intact as possible.
- 3. If a confirmed bed bug was found on a student, then the nurse should contact the student's parents or guardian to inform them of the bed bug presence on their child. Send a bed bug inspection form home (HEA-F096).
- 4. Parent will be notified that siblings of the student will be checked, to include siblings who attend another school in the district.
- 5. When parent/guardian reports to clinic to pick up child with bed bugs, nurse may review Bed Bug Information (HEA-G002) with parent/guardian.
- 6. Student will be excluded from school for the remainder of the school day when a bed bug is found on their person. Parent/Guardian must bring student to school on the next regular school day to be inspected for live bed bugs by the school nurse. If additional bed bugs are found on person or belongings, then the student will be excluded from school until the next regular school day. Schools should not be closed due to bed bug presence. If pest management is necessary, it will normally be targeted to certain areas of the school.
- 7. Emphasize to parent/guardian the importance of breaking the bed bug cycle by following all directions as written if using an over-the-counter treatment.
- 8. Class note for bed bugs may be sent home with students in the class of the child if more than 2 students in the class have a confirmed case of bed bugs (HEA-F095), and/or as appropriate. Classroom will be rechecked as appropriate.
- 9. Educate any teachers, staff, children or parents involved in the bed bug management strategies.

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